

Machine Learning 1

Lecture 5.1 - Supervised Learning
Bayesian Linear Regression - The Equivalent
Kernel

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(Bishop 3.3.3)



Equivalent Kernel Formulation

- predictive distribution

$$p(t'|x', \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{t}, \alpha, \beta) = \int p(t'|x', \mathbf{w}, \beta) p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{t}, \alpha, \beta) d\mathbf{w}$$

$$= \mathcal{N}(t' | \underbrace{\mathbf{m}_N^T \phi(x')}_{y(x', m_N)}, \sigma_N^2(x'))$$

$\mathbf{w}_{MAP} \in \mathbb{R}^M$

$$\mathbf{m}_N = \beta \mathbf{S}_N \Phi^T \mathbf{t} \quad \sigma_N^2(x') = \frac{1}{\beta} + \phi(x')^T \mathbf{S}_N \phi(x') \quad \mathbf{S}_N^{-1} = \alpha \mathbf{1} + \beta \Phi^T \Phi$$

- predictive mean:

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0(\mathbf{x}_1) & \dots & \phi_{M-1}(\mathbf{x}_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_0(\mathbf{x}_N) & \dots & \phi_{M-1}(\mathbf{x}_N) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$y(x', \mathbf{m}_N) = \phi(x')^T \mathbf{m}_N$$

$$= \beta \phi(x')^T \mathbf{S}_N \Phi^T \mathbf{t} = \beta \phi(x')^T \mathbf{S}_N \sum_{n=1}^N \Phi_{:,n} t_n$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^N \beta \underbrace{\phi(x')^T \mathbf{S}_n \phi(x_n)}_{k(x', x_n)} t_n = \sum_{n=1}^N k(x', x_n) t_n$$

- Equivalent kernel

$$k(x', x) = \beta \phi(x')^T \mathbf{S}_n \phi(x_n)$$

Equivalent kernel for Gaussian Basis Functions

Figure: Equivalent kernel $k(x', x)$ (Bishop 3.10)

- Localized kernel

$$k(x', x) = \beta \phi(x')^T \mathbf{S}_N \phi(x)$$

- predictive mean

$$y(x', \mathbf{m}_N) = \sum_{n=1}^N k(x', x_n) t_n$$

- Training points x_n close to x' contribute more!

- Covariance of between predictions:

$$\text{cov}[t_1, t_2 | x_1, x_2] = \text{cov}_{\mathbf{w}}[y(x_1, \mathbf{w}), y(x_2, \mathbf{w})]$$

$$= \text{cov}_{\mathbf{w}}[\phi(x_1)^T \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}^T \phi(x_2)] = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w}}[\phi(x_1)^T \mathbf{w} \mathbf{w}^T \phi(x_2)] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w}}[\phi(x_1)^T \mathbf{w}] \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w}}[\mathbf{w}^T \phi(x_2)]$$

$$= \phi(x_1)^T (\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w}}[\mathbf{w} \mathbf{w}^T] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w}}[\mathbf{w}] \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{w}}[\mathbf{w}^T]) \phi(x_2) = \phi(x_1)^T \text{cov}[\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w}] \phi(x_2)$$

$$p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{t}, \alpha, \beta) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{m}_N, \mathbf{S}_N) \quad \phi(x_1)^T \mathbf{S}_N \phi(x_2) = \frac{1}{\beta} k(x_1, x_2) \quad \mathbb{E}[t' | x', \mathbf{w}] = y(x', \mathbf{w})$$

